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Dear Sir.

This paper is responsive to the most recent Office Action in this application, dated October 5, 2005, for which a response is due January 5, 2006. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed.

Careful consideration has been given to the analysis made by the Examiner in the Office Action. The following remarks place the application in better condition for allowance or appeal. Applicant requests entry of this paper into the application, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.116(b).